

SEC. OF WAR BAKER DREW FIRST NUMBER IN DRAFT LOTTERY

Blindfolded, the Head of the Military Department of the Nation Produced No. 258, Chairman Chamberlain of Senate Military Committee Took Out the Second Number and Other Officials Followed

MILLION MEN DRAWN IN HOUR AND HALF

The Drawing Took Place in the Senate Office Building—It Was Estimated That Ten Hours Would Elapse Before the Completion of the Complete Draft

Washington, D. C., July 20.—The drawing for the war army began at the Senate office building at 9:45 o'clock this morning in the presence of Secretary of War Baker, the Senate and the House military committees, a group of high officials of the government and representatives of the press. It is estimated that from 10 to 12 hours will be required to draw all of the 10,500 numbers required to fix the order of liability of the 10,000,000 registered men.

Secretary Baker was the first man to

withdraw a slip enclosed in a capsule

from a great glass bowl. Blindfolded, he

drew number 258. Chairman Chamberlain

of the Senate military committee drew

the second number and Chairman Dent

of the House military committee drew

the third. Senator Warren and Repre-

sentative Kahn, ranking minority mem-

bers of the committees, drew the next

two numbers. Major-General Tasker H.

Bliss, acting chief of the staff of the

army, drew next. A million men, rep-

resented in the first thousand numbers,

were drawn in the first hour and a half.

the group system of drawing which had been adopted was not applicable to cards numbered in this way and a change to a straight serial number drawing was immediately ordered to meet the situation.

"If press reports are to the effect that the situation in New Jersey alone was the sole or even the principal cause of the change in the system of the drawing, they are not justified. On the contrary, that state has been conspicuous for its efficient co-operation with the federal government in all stages of the execution of the self-service law."

RESTRICTIONS PLACED.

Because of Single Case of Infantile Paralysis in This City.

Following the discovery that a case of infantile paralysis exists on Howland street, the city health department to-day promulgated an order which prohibits all public gatherings within the city limits. Thus far the only case in Barre is that of the infant son of Alexander Ross of 21 Howland street and, numerous rumors to the contrary notwithstanding, no other cases have developed since the illness of the Ross baby was reported yesterday to Dr. J. W. Stewart, secretary of the local board. It is stated that the condition of the Ross child remains practically unchanged. Both legs of the child are paralyzed.

All because of the Howland street case, Barre, for the first time since smallpox broke out in 1912, is under a general quarantine. The order which proscribes all public gatherings is to remain in force until vacated by a written order issued from the office of the health secretary. In the language of the official notice the ban is placed on "all public gatherings, indoors or outdoors, including schools, Sunday schools, churches, theatres, picnics, baseball games and all places of amusement."

Chief Samuel Sinclair of the police force received his instructions from the city health officer this morning, and during the forenoon he served notice on the proprietors of moving picture establishments in the city. People who are interested in holding public meetings, whether they be church gatherings or for amusement purposes, are not to wait for official notification, as the subjoined notice is regarded as sufficient. Dr. Stewart stated this afternoon that the local board of health met recently and decided to establish the quarantine. Parents are urged to keep their children from the streets and to segregate them as much as possible.

The order:

"In accordance with No. 194 of the laws of 1917, the local board of health of Barre, Vt., hereby makes the following regulations against the cause, development and spread of infantile paralysis:

"1. All public gatherings shall be prohibited whether they are to be held indoors or outdoors, including schools, Sunday schools, churches, theatres, picnics, ball games, places of amusement and all public gatherings of any kind whatever.

"To be in force until vacated by written order, signed by the secretary of the board of health.

"Health Officer J. W. Stewart."

TRANSFORMER BURNED OUT.

And Other Damage Was Done During Storm at Brandon.

Brandon, July 20.—During a severe thunder storm here yesterday at about 4 o'clock, lightning did several hundred dollars' worth of damage to the Horton Power company's system by burning out several transformers and damaging the lines. Many telephones were put out of commission. A tree near George Leonard's house on Grant hill was struck and badly splintered.

NEW COUNTY LIST OF DRAFTED MEN TO BE PREPARED

Double the Quota Will Be Instructed to Present Themselves Before the Local Boards.

Gen. L. S. Tillotson, after receiving notice that the drafting was to take place to-day, sent to each of the county boards their instructions relative to what to do after getting their list under the selective draft. These instructions were held up until after the draft was made for military reasons.

These instructions are: "As soon as each local board has been advised of the order in which the persons registered in the county are to be called to service, a new list for the county will be prepared, giving the names in the order in which they will be called. In this new list the names will be preceded by the serial number and followed by the number showing the order in which they must respond, viz: 87, John Jones, 1; 8, John Smith, 2; 17, John Doe, 3; etc. "This list will be posted at the office of the local board and made accessible to the press for publication; approximately twice the number of men to be furnished by the county will then be ordered to appear for examination in the order designated by the number on the right hand side of the names.

"Persons so called will be notified by mail, designating the date and place, where and when they must appear for examination. All persons so notified must appear at the time and place specified. They will then be given an opportunity to present their claims for exemption if they desire.

"The reason for calling twice the number to be furnished is that it is estimated that about one-half of those examined will be excused for physical disqualification and other reasons.

"If a sufficient number is not obtained from those called in the first lot, another call will be made, taking the names in the order shown by the number on the right hand side and so on until the requisite number is secured."

This information should materially help those whose numbers may appear among those drawn at Washington to-day and will give them an opportunity to plan to go to Montpelier at the date which the exemption board may announce for the examinations.

MONTPELIER STORES DAMAGED BY FIRE

Basements of E. T. Seguin and Chapman Bros. Were Burned Out and Smoke Did Some Damage on First Floor of the Former.

After about 20 minutes' fighting of a fire in the stores of E. T. Seguin and Chapman Bros. in the Hazen block on Main street, Montpelier, this morning, Chief Pattee sounded a general alarm from box 15 at the corner of Main and State streets and for an hour the department fought a stubborn cellar fire, which did about \$1500 damage to the owners of the two stores and block.

William Brown was passing the store of Mr. Seguin about 12:15 o'clock, when he saw smoke coming out near the awning. He dropped the awning down and saw that the smoke came from inside of the building. The department responded to a still alarm and after effort with a garden hose, a line of big hose was laid, but the fire seemed scattered and at 12:32 a general alarm was rung in.

The first line of hose was laid in the Chapman store for what seemed to be a partition fire, but soon flames broke out in the cellar of the Seguin store and then two cellar nozzle lines of hose were laid with two ordinary streams, which soon drowned out the fire. The firemen were able to keep it from getting to the first floor of the building.

The firemen were greatly handicapped by the volume of smoke, which gave them a chance to try out the new Draeger respirators. The machines worked nicely and helped materially in getting control of the fire. The all out was sounded about 1:40, although the fire had been under control for half an hour. Chapman Bros. will have a small smoke loss, while Mr. Seguin will suffer well towards \$1,000 on cigars and goods stored in the basement.

There will be quite a little damage to the building. Mr. Seguin will also suffer some loss from smoke in the main part of his store.

NEW BATTLE AT LAON.

French War Office Declares the Germans Failed Completely.

Paris, July 20.—Yesterday's battle 12 miles southeast of Laon is described in the following statement from the French war office last evening:

"The artillery was particularly active to-day between the Somme and the Aisne. South of St. Quentin a fresh enemy attack delivered about 1:30 o'clock against the hill of Moulinsous-Toutvent failed completely.

"After a bombardment of extreme violence lasting the entire morning the Germans attacked our positions from the northeast of Craonne as far as east of Hurbie, sending forward the 5th guard division, which engaged at several points in thick waves. The attack was a complete failure on both wings; only in the center were the Germans able to reach some elements of our first line trench, where counter-attacks arrested them after they had suffered additional heavy losses.

"There was a prolonged enemy bombardment on one side south of Corbeny and on the other as far as the region of Cerny, where the German infantry, caught under the fire of our artillery, was not able to debouch. The artillery was active on the left bank of the Meuse.

"During the days of July 18 and 19, 1100 shells were thrown into Rheims."

PEACE DESIRE GROWS

German Reichstag Adopted Majority Resolution by a Vote of 214 to 116, with 17 Members Not Voting, According to Information Coming from Copenhagen

CHANCELLOR TREATS AMERICA LIGHTLY

Says Entrance of the United States into the War Is Not Regarded with Serious Concern—Expresses Faith in Submarine Campaign and Declares Its Use Is Justifiable

Copenhagen, July 20.—The Reichstag yesterday adopted the majority peace resolution by a vote of 214 to 116, with 17 not voting.

Chancellor Michaelis in his address before the Reichstag said that Germany would not continue the war a day longer if it could obtain an honorable peace. America's intervention was not regarded with serious concern. The German fleet, particularly the submarines, would master the situation, he said.

The chancellor declared his adhesion to Germany's submarine campaign, asserting it to be a lawful measure, justifiably adopted and adapted for shortening the war.

Dr. Michaelis opened his Reichstag speech with a hearty tribute to Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, the retiring imperial chancellor, whose work, he said, history would appreciate.

The chancellor declared that the war was forced upon unwilling Germany by the Russian mobilization and that the submarine war was also forced upon Germany by Great Britain's illegal blockade starvation war.

The faint hope that America, at the head of the neutrals, would check Great Britain's illegality was vain, Germany's final attempt to avoid the extremity by a peace offer failed and the submarine campaign was adopted, said the chancellor.

The submarine, the speaker continued, had done all and more than had been expected and the false prophets who had predicted the end of the war at a definite time had done a disservice to the fatherland.

In remarks concerning internal questions, the chancellor said: "You cannot expect me, as I have been in office only five days, to express my views exhaustively and finally on pending questions of internal policy. It goes without saying that I stand upon the ground of the imperial rescript of July 11 concerning the franchise in Prussia. I consider it advantageous and necessary that a closer touch shall be established between the great parties and the government."

BIG GERMAN DRIVE AGAINST RUSSIANS

Berlin Reports That Russian Positions East of Zloczoff Have Been Pierced on a Wide Front.

London, July 20.—German armies in the west and the east delivered great attacks yesterday to recover ground recently taken from them by the Russians, British and French.

Berlin sent out the following official communication last evening, announcing a victory 45 miles east of Lemberg:

"Challenged by the offensive which the Russians have begun on our fronts by order of their government, and in spite of their peace assertions, we have launched a counter-attack in eastern Galicia. German corps have pierced Russian positions east of Zloczoff on a wide front."

ORDERED TO WASHINGTON.

Major Seldon S. Watson of St. Albans to Enter Federal Service.

Gen. L. S. Tillotson received a message Thursday afternoon from the war department stating that Major Seldon S. Watson of St. Albans had been ordered to report to the quartermaster general in Washington immediately to take up his reporting at Washington he will be assigned to the duties of constructing quartermaster. It is expected that he will look after the construction of some of the camps along with other officers detailed for similar service.

Major Watson is a brother of Charles Watson of St. Albans. He was commissioned as major in the Vermont quartermaster corps in 1911 and was camp quartermaster at Fort Ethan Allen last year when the state troops were stationed there.

Notice to Users of City Water.

The city water will be shut off Sunday, July 22, from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. for the purpose of flushing the mains.

City Water Department.

F. A. RANSOM, CHELSEA, FIRST MAN DRAWN IN ORANGE COUNTY

John G. Prescott of Wells River, Fred J. Smith of Groton R. F. D. 2, Clement Eaja of Williamstown and Leon Edgar Mason of Thetford Center Next in Order.

Chelsea, July 20.—Fred Augustus Ransom of Chelsea was the first man drawn in Orange county in the national army draft to-day. The list of those drawn as far as determined late this afternoon were as follows:

No. 258, FRED AUGUSTUS RANSOM, Chelsea.

No. 458, JOHN GARDNER PRESCOTT, Wells River.

No. 854, FRED J. SMITH, (address) Groton, R. F. D. 2.

No. 1095, CLEMENT EAJA, Williamstown.

No. 783, LEON EDGAR MASON, Thetford Center.

No. 1117, MICHELI GACCIONI, Williamstown.

No. 837, SAXEY WELCH, Topsham.

No. 337, RAY BRIDGEMAN GODFREY, Fairlee.

No. 676, HENRY CURTIS HATCH, Randolph.

No. 275, WINN LOWELL TAPLIN, East Corinth.

No. 536, CHARLES REUBEN ADAMS, Randolph Center.

No. 509, HERBERT HENRY WILLIAMS, East-Orange.

No. 564, SAMUEL AUGUSTUS SALLS, Randolph.

No. 945, MANLEY CARPENTER, Ver-shire.

No. 596, WM. BANCROFT STANDISH, Randolph.

No. 548, HUGH IRVING CLAFLIN, Randolph.

No. 126, CLIFFORD DANA BATTLES, Randolph.

No. 784, GLEN ELMER ALDRICH, Post Mills.

No. 755, HAROLD HENRY FULTON, Stratford.

No. 107, WALTER GEORGE WHEELER, Randolph.

No. 269, CARL WESLEY FITTS, Corinth.

No. 616, GOLDEN WILLIAM PRENTICE, Randolph.

No. 373, LESTER HOWARD SLEEPER, Newbury.

No. 167, ERNEST GILBERT HOOD, Brookfield.

No. 775, PHILIP H. HOYT, Sharon.

No. 486, FRANK ROBERT CARLSON, Newbury.

No. 692, HILIE ARTHUR RABTOY, Randolph.

No. 600, JOHN JOSEPH BARON, Randolph.

No. 810, ROYAL OSCAR CLAPP, Thetford Center.

No. 507, BERNARD C. SIMPSON, Washington.

No. 309, ERNEST SEYMOUR SMITH, Bradford.

No. 437, PAUL MILLER GIBSON, South Ryegate.

No. 604, JAMES ROTKOVITCH, Randolph.

No. 43, ERNEST E. FITZGERALD, Bradford.

No. 1066, CLIFFORD JOHN BLAINE, Williamstown.

No. 924, EUGENE ENOCH BALLOU, Tunbridge.

No. 420, LEONARD W. ROLLINS, Wells River.

No. 1014, THOMAS WIGGIN BENNETT, West Fairlee.

No. 514, DANIEL EIA MINER, R. F. D. 4, Barre.

No. 433, GEORGE BELZILL, Lewiston.

No. 10, FRED F. MOONEY, Bradford.

No. 1045, THOMAS ALBERT EMOND, Williamstown.

No. 1031, FRED CHAFFEE LONG, West Fairlee.

No. 797, ARCHIBALD A. BAILEY, Thetford Center.

No. 140, FRANCIS W. VINTON, Roxbury.

No. 487, LOUIS QUIMBY SMITH, Wells River.

No. 432, WILLIAM S. BAILEY, South Ryegate.

No. 18, HOBART W. RENFREW, Bradford.

BARRE MAN DRAWN FIRST IN THE COUNTY FOR NATIONAL ARMY

Wilbur Joseph Duquette of 176 Washington Street Was Followed By Clifford Crawford Barnes of Northfield Falls and He, in Turn, By Peter Gonyo of Barre, But Latter Already Enlisted

BARRE AND MONTPELIER CONTRIBUTE LARGELY

In Orange County Fred Augustus Ransom of Chelsea Was the First Man Called and He Was Followed By John Gardner Prescott of Wells River, A Williamstown Man was Drawn Fourth

The first man drawn from Washington county for the new national army under the selective conscription law to-day was a Barre man, Wilbur Joseph Duquette of 176 Washington street. Next came a Northfield Falls man, Clifford Crawford Barnes, and third was another Barre man, Peter Gonyo of 23 Maple avenue. As fast as the numbers were drawn in Washington, they were communicated to the various district boards, including that at Montpelier.

The list of Washington county men drawn is as follows:

No. 258, WILBUR JOSEPH DUQUETTE, 176 Washington street, Barre.

No. 2522, CLIFFORD CRAWFORD BARNES, Northfield Falls.

No. 458, PETER GONYO, 23 Maple avenue, Barre.

No. 1436, AL HENRY ENNIS, Cabot.

No. 2624, RALPH HOBART PERRY, Plainfield.

No. 854, LOUIS SAN MIGUEL, 3 Ahern place, Barre.

No. 1894, RAYMOND THOMAS LEDDEN, 11 First avenue, Montpelier.

No. 1878, HAROLD BYRON NELSON, 64 State st., Montpelier.

No. 1095, DOMINICO BELELLO, Granitville.

No. 2022, ANDREA TOMASI, 68 Main street, Barre.

No. 1455, ASHLEY CHARLES BARRETT, Cabot.

No. 788, WARREN IRVIN WILFORD, Bailey street, Barre.

No. 1813, RAY LIONEL JERONIME, Montpelier.

No. 2782, HAROLD HIBBARD GREENWOOD, Warren.

No. 1858, WILLIAM KELMAN MITCHELL, 3 Main street, Montpelier.

No. 2389, PETER ANDREW FRANCIS, Montpelier.

No. 1752, EDDIE WILLIAM WHITE, Marshfield.

No. 2494, HARRY ASA WILLEY, Northfield.

No. 3082, MERRILL OSCAR DODGE, Woodbury.

No. 1117, EDWARD CARBONNEAU, Granitville.

No. 1572, ROY CARLTON DAVIS, Waterbury.

No. 2762, FRED ADAM MOBIS, Warren.

No. 1748, GEORGE ALBERT JEWETT, Marshfield.

No. 2195, LEWIS BENJAMIN PROVIST, 111 Barre street, Montpelier.

No. 837, WEELEI NICOLA, 39 Foster street, Barre.

No. 2036, WESLEY BYRON HAYES, 188 Main st., Montpelier.

No. 337, MAX GAMBLE REASIDE, 19 Central street, Barre.

No. 676, CARL HEINRICH LOW, 76 Pleasant street, Barre.

No. 275, ROBERT BURNS KNOX, 45 Merchant street, Barre.

No. 536, ANSELMO ROSSI, 90 Pleasant street, Barre.

No. 509, ARNOLD FERRARI, 1 Bugbee avenue, Barre.

No. 1185, NOISES ARRONTE, East Barre.

No. 564, WILLIAM JOHN PRUNEAU, 130 North Seminary street, Barre.

No. 2166, RAYMOND M. IVOR, 34 Northfield street, Montpelier.

No. 945, JOHN GROVER CLEVELAND KENEFICK, Prospect street, Barre.

COMMITTEES NAMED IN OTHER PLACES FOR CO. C FUND

Amount Contributed for the Comfort of National Guard Soldiers Will Be Augmented By Several Towns.

C company's fund is growing steadily as a result of liberal giving on the part of Barre citizens and the aggregate for to-day indicates that the young men who make up the unit, Barre's second company contribution to the 1st Vermont regiment, are very much in the thoughts of the folks back home. Too much emphasis cannot be laid on the fact that the company fund, when it is completed, must be a testimonial of popular feeling and not the aggregate contribution of a comparatively few large givers. Therefore, it is necessary that every man, woman and child in Barre and in the towns which have sent men to the colors of C company, should make it a personal appeal and give according to his or her means.

Without the contribution of the small giver, the fund will not be a success any more than the Red Cross fund or the Liberty bond issue would have been successful had it not been for the people of moderate means who patriotically sub-

scribed their bit. Pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and halves must have a place in the fund and they will be as duly credited and thankfully received as if they ran into two figures and more. It will be noted that many of the larger subscriptions have come from the granite manufacturers.

Everyone is interested in the destinies of C company, a fact which is shown in one way by the announcement that women of Barre are preparing comfort kits for the men who make up the city's second company. Yesterday at Fort Ethan Allen C company men, meeting with Lieut. H. P. Shaw, chose representative citizens from the several towns where they enlisted to take charge of subscription papers. Here in Barre the Board of Trade, which had charge of the Headquarters company fund, is conducting the campaign and other committees are as follows:

Chelsea, Postmaster H. O. Bixby; Brookfield, Dr. E. E. Ellis; Washington, Town Clerk M. W. Chamberlain; Morrisville, Lieut. James Kelly of the home guard; Stowe, C. L. McMahon; Hyde Park, Russell S. Page.

Each town committee is to forward its contributions to The Times, and after credits are made the money will be turned over to the treasurer, H. G. Woodruff. A careful system of accounting is being used and any giver, no matter how large or small his donation is, may be sure that the money will carry aid and comfort to the boys in khaki.

The contributions are as follows:

Previously acknowledged..... \$603.00

Edgar Crossland..... 2.00

W. D. MacDonald..... 5.00

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